

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
AND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT B**

APPLICANT: Heiko Holzhaur DOCKET NO: P99,1523
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TITLE: Search and Navigation Device for Hypertext Documents

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

10 In response to the final Office Action dated May 28, 2002, the telephone
interview conducted on August 27, 2002, and the Interview Summary mailed on
September 3, 2002, Applicant responds by filing a Request for Continued
Examination and amends the claims as indicated below.

IN THE CLAIMS

15 Please amend claims 1 and 10 as follows, referring to the Appendix for mark-
ups.

1. (Amended) A device for navigating documents connected by links,
comprising:

a computer which comprises a graphical display, the computer being
20 configured to operate according to a program that displays document symbols
representing the documents and link symbols representing the link relationship of
the documents;

wherein a similarity measure between a starting document and each other

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